

### In the Indiana Supreme Court

| IN THE MATTER OF        | ) |           |                                       |
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| APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES | ) | Cause No. | 40S00-080 <b>6</b> -M <b>45</b> - 313 |
| FOR JENNINGS COUNTY     | ) |           |                                       |

### ORDER RE-APPROVING CASELOAD ALLOCATION PLAN

Pursuant to Ind. Administrative Rule 1, the Judges of the Jennings County Circuit and Superior Courts, request this Court to re-approve their caseload allocation plan based upon their revalidation of the plan.

And this Court being duly advised, now finds that the caseload allocation plan for Jennings County should be re-approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court, based upon revalidation by the Jennings County Judges, that the Jennings County caseload allocation plan is re-approved.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Jonathan W. Webster, Jennings Circuit Court, P.O. Box 386, Vernon, IN 47282-0386; the Hon. James Funke, Jr., Jennings Superior Court, P.O. Box 490, Vernon, IN 47282-0490; to the Clerk of the Jennings Circuit Court; and to post this Order on the Court's website.

The Clerk of the Jennings Circuit Court is directed to enter this Order in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order for examination by the Bar and the

general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 3 day of May, 2008

Randall T. Shepard

Chief Justice of Indiana

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| IN THE MATTER OF        | ) |          |
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| REQUEST FOR APPROVAL    | ) |          |
| OF LOCAL RULES          | ) | Case No. |
| FOR COURTS OF RECORD IN | ) | •        |
| JENNINGSCOUNTY          | ) |          |

# REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULE RE-ADOPTING CURRENT CASELOAD ALLOCATION RULE

The Judges of the Courts of record of Jennings County have met and reviewed the 2007 weighted caseload statistics of the courts of record, which review reveals that the difference in utilization between any two courts of record does not exceed .40 based on the 2007 Weighted Caseload Report.

Accordingly, the Judges of the Courts of record have decided to re-adopt their local rule pertaining to caseload allocation as required by Administrative Rule 1, which local rule had previously been published for public comment as required by Trial Rule 81 and which has been approved by the Supreme Court, and request the Supreme Court to approve the re-adoption of the local caseload allocation rule.

Submitted this 31st day of March, 2008.

For the Courts of Record of Jennings County

JON W. WEBSTER

Judge, Jennings Circuit Court

JAMES P. FUNKE, JR.

Judge Jennings Superior Court

## LR 40-AR 8-01 - INITIAL CASE ASSIGNMENT AND LOCAL CASELOAD PLAN

(See Indiana Administrative Rule 8 and Indiana Rule of Criminal Procedure 2.2)

Unless otherwise required by statute, the Clerk of Courts and the Prosecuting Attorney of Jennings County, to the extent applicable, shall file the following cases in the following Court:

#### Jennings Circuit Court

- 1.) All Class A B and C felonies (FA, FB and FC) and Murder (MR)
- 2.) Class D felonies (FD), EXCEPT those filed alleging a Class D felony under IND. CODE §9-30-5-3 or §9-30-5-4(a) and related Post Conviction Relief proceedings.
- 3.) All juvenile matters (JC, JD, JS, JT, JP and JM)
- 4.) Mental Health (MH)
- 5.) Adoption or Adoption History Petitions (AD)
- 6.) All Estates and Trust (EU, ES and TR)
- 7.) All Guardianships (GU)
- 8.) Alternating civil, domestic relation and reciprocal support (CT, PL, CC, MF, MI, DR and RS)

### Jennings Superior Court

- 1.) All Class D felonies alleging a violation of IND. CODE §9-30-5-3 or §9-30-5-4(a) (FD)
  - Infractions (IF)

2.)

- 3.) All Misdemeanors (CM)
- 4.) Local Ordinance and Exempted Ordinance Violations (OV and OE)
- 5.) Small Claims (SC)
- 6.) Protective Orders (PO)
- 7.) Pro se Dissolutions (DR)
- 8.) Alternating civil, domestic relation and reciprocal support (CT, PL, CC, MF, MI,

DR and RS)

The method of assigning alternative civil, domestic relation and reciprocal support cases shall be by blind random draw done by the Clerk or one of the Clerk's deputies.

In criminal cases, the most serious charge filed shall determine the proper Court.

If an information alleges a violation of IND. CODE §9-30-5-3 or 9-30-5-4(a) and any other Class D felony, the case shall be filed in the Jennings Circuit Court.

Pursuant to the Order of the Supreme Court of Indiana dated July 16, 1999, LR40-AR8-01 is adopted as the Local Caseload Plan by both Courts.